



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pacolet Elementary School
SPARTANBURG 3
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 384
Principal: Kenny Blackwood
Superintendent: James O. Ray
Board Chair: Eddie Dearybury

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Average	TBD	TBD	B	Focus
2013	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	A	N/A
2012	Good	Good	SILVER	N/A	B	N/A

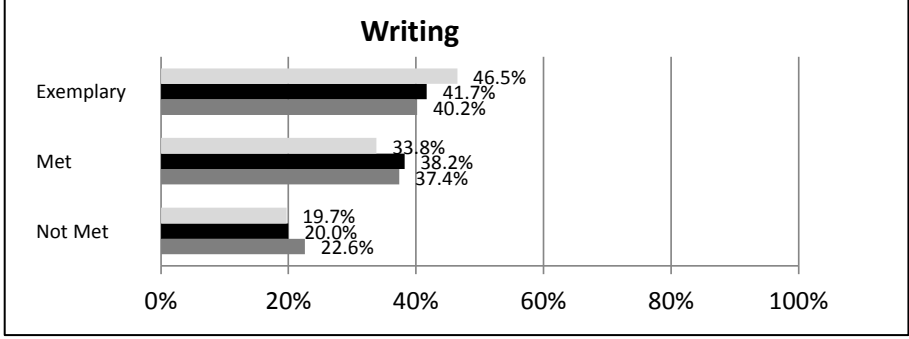
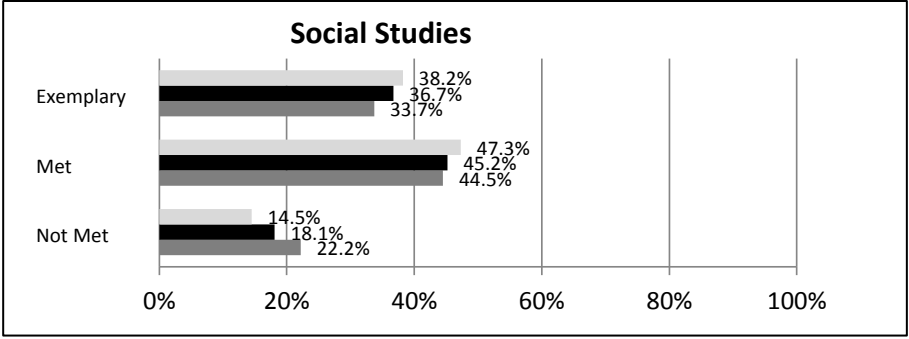
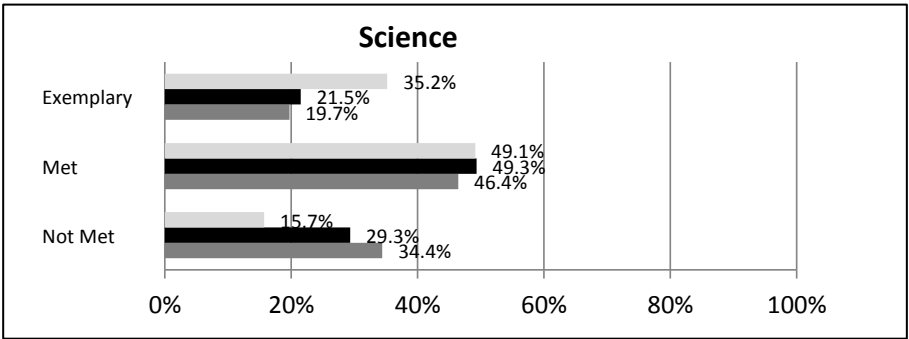
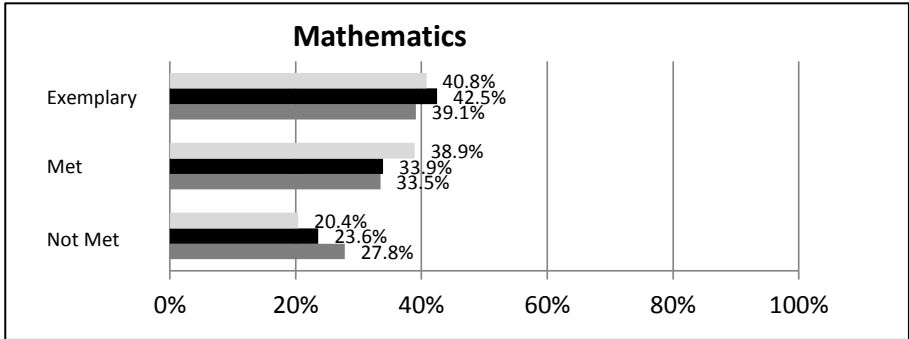
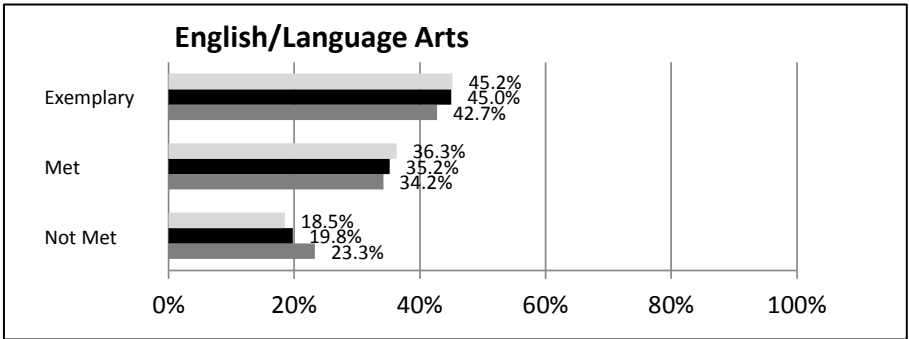
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
36	48	27	2	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

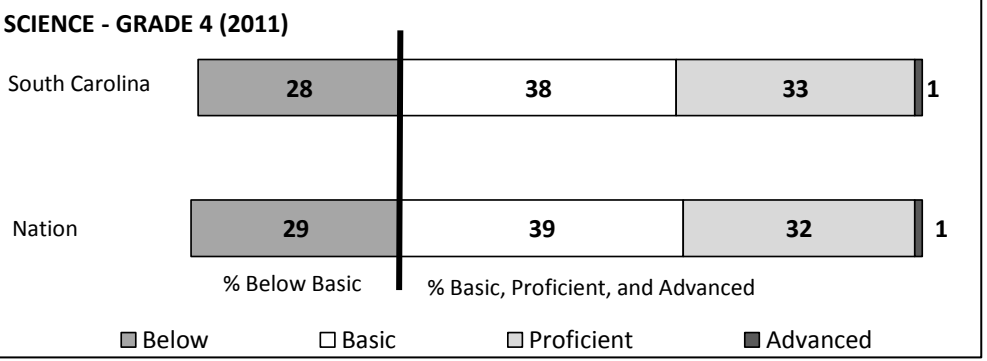
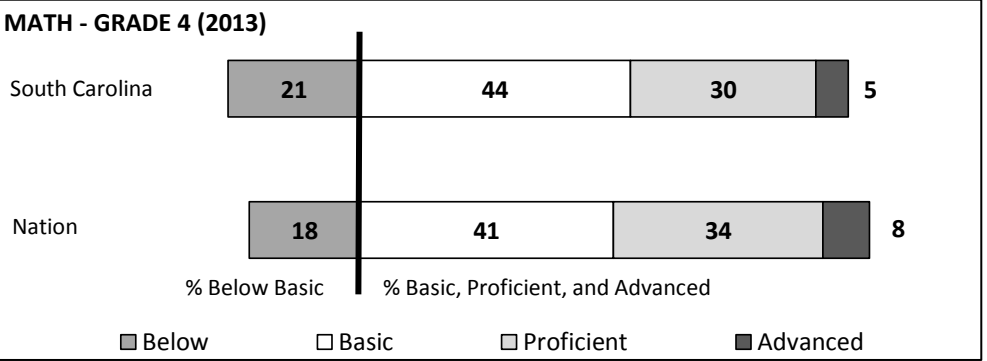
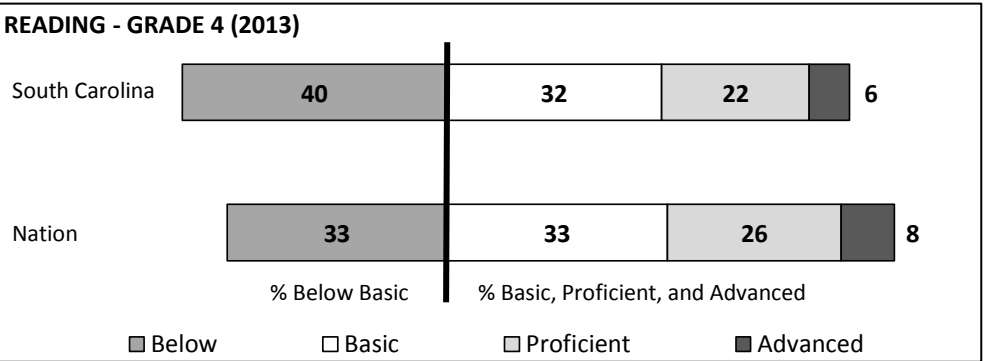
SC PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elem Schools Statewide



NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary Schools
Students (n = 384)				
Retention rate	2.6%	Down from 3.4%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.9%	96.4%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	9.0%	Up from 8.8%	8.2%	7.3%
With disabilities	17.4%	Down from 18.0%	13.1%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	2.0%	Down from 4.0%	2.1%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 25)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.0%	Up from 60.9%	61.7%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Down from 82.6%	85.7%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.4%	Up from 92.5%	89.7%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Down from 95.0%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,470	Up 0.8%	\$48,705	\$47,902
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	15.1 days	Down from 15.8 days	11.1 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.1 to 1	Up from 18.0 to 1	20.6 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.3%	Down from 89.4%	90.3%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,154	Up 3.4%	\$7,270	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	59.6%	Down from 60.0%	67.7%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.5%	Up from 58.0%	66.9%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	87.1	Down from 90.4	88.8	85.7

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
**Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	22	53	43
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	77.3%	93.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	79.2%	97.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	92.5%	85.7%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Pacolet Elementary School is a diverse rural school located within the town of Pacolet. As a hub in the community, Pacolet Elementary School serves over four hundred students: pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. We offer a three-year-old child development center coupled with a 1/2 day four-year-old kindergarten program to serve the needs of our community. During the 2013-2014 school year, our school motto, “Lights, Camera and Action”, was created through the collaboration of teachers, staff, parents, and students at Pacolet Elementary and proved to be a driving force in our new initiatives.

Our School Improvement Council (SIC) and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) were very involved in the decision making at our schools. The members of these organizations included the principals, teachers, parents, and community leaders. The SIC and PTO members met quarterly to share concerns and ideas to improve our schools. As a result of the planning of these committees our instructional, volunteer and positive behavior programs throughout the year were enhanced and improved.

The continued use of the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) and Developmental Reading Assessments (DRA) provided vital tools to measure student academic progress, providing detailed information on each child’s strengths and weaknesses. The results of DRA provided teachers and parents with an up-close personal insight to the reading needs of all students. Analyzing these results allowed us to make instructional changes in order to benefit each individual student in an immediate and well-informed manner.

Over the past ten years our students have been actively engaged in the use of interactive white boards, amplified sound systems, active voters and access to laptops or desktops for research and individualized learning activities. However, we began our newest addition of placing a Windows 8 tablet with an attached keyboard in the hands of every student. This 1:1 mobile learning initiative has opened the global network for each student.

Kenny Blackwood, Principal Kaye Dunnaway, SIC,PTO Chair

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